

COUNTRY East Germany
TOPIC Soviet Troop Trains
REPORT NO
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DATE OF CONTENT 2 to 18 August 1953
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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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1. Troop trains passing through Doberlug-Kirchhain on 3 and 4 August 1953 included a train of 7 boxcars and 4 flatcars, occupied by about 200 troops and carrying an undetermined number of trucks, which went from Neuendorf (?) to Bad Saarow-Pieskow on 3 August; and a train of 3 flatcars carrying 4 amphibious vehicles, which went from Aken to Fuerstenwalde on 4 August.¹

2. Troop trains included a train from the Magdeburg district to Zehdenick, 4 August; a train from Tangerhuetten to Bernau, on 5 August; and a train from Tangerhuetten to Fuerstenwalde, on 6 August.²

3. Troop trains between 2 and 13 August included:

Date in August	Composition of Trains	From	To
2	29 boxcars and flatcars, and 13 SSy-type flatcars, carrying troops and 13 tanks	Schwepnitz	Groeditz-Riesa
4	42 cars	Schwepnitz	undetermined via Hohenbocka
5	38 cars carrying troops and trucks	Koenigsbrueck	Chemnitz
	42 cars carrying troops and trucks	"	"

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6	40 cars carrying troops, trucks and guns	Schwepnitz	Crawinkel
7	15 boxcars and 38 flatcars, carrying troops and trucks	Peitz	Justerbog
	40 cars, carrying troops, trucks and guns	Justerbog	Roederau
8	15 boxcars, 25 flatcars and 10 SSy-type cars carrying troops, 10 tanks and about 30 trucks	Peitz	Schwepnitz
	24 cars	Falkenberg	Brand
	24 boxcars and 11	Falkenberg	Brand
10	41 cars carrying materiel including tanks	Oschatz	Schwepnitz
	38 cars carrying materiel including tanks	"	"
	1 train	Dresden	Koenigsbrueck
	1 train	Dresden	"
	14 boxcars and 9 SSy-type cars	Koethen	Welzow
	1 train	Koethen	Welzow
	1 train	Weimar	Koenigsbrueck
11 and 12	4 trains	Falkenberg	Brand
13	1 train	Koethen	Welzow

4. The following troop trains were identified [REDACTED] between 14 and 16 August:

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Date in August	Number and Type of Cars	From	To
14	1 boxcar and 14 flatcars	Frankfurt/Oder	Lieberose
15	6 boxcars and 17 flatcars	Jueterbog-Altes Lager	Fuerstenwalde
16	34 cars	Neubukow	Kuestrin
	49 "	Kroepelin	"
	13 converted boxcars and 14 flatcars	Altengrabow	Brandenburg
	5 converted boxcars, 3 boxcars and 17 flatcars	Wittenberg	Jueterbog
	3 boxcars, 7 flatcars and 4 heavy duty flatcars	Altengrabow	Wildpark

5. According to orders by the Soviet transport komendatura the following trains had to be made available: on 15 August, a train of 10 converted boxcars, 3 boxcars, and 36 flatcars; and another train of 6 converted boxcars and 21 flatcars, in Jueterbog-Altes Lager, which left for Fuerstenwalde [redacted] and, on 17 August, a train of 5 transitworthy boxcars and 22 transitworthy flatcars in Jueterbog.

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- 25X1A 1. [redacted] Comment. The information is doubted [redacted]
- 25X1A 2. [redacted] Comment. The train [redacted] carried a unit of the unidentified artillery brigade of the Fourth Gds Mecz Army and came from Altengrabow. The trains from Tangerhuetten carried engineer units of this army, which returned from exercises on the Elbe River.
- 25X1A 3. [redacted] Comment. The information on arrivals at and departures from, the Koenigsbrueck troop training grounds via the Schwepnitz and Koenigsbrueck railroad stations does not agree with previous information on rail movements via the railroad stations mentioned and the Ruhland railroad station. [redacted]
- 25X1A 4. [redacted] Comment. A troop train from Mechterstedt to Koenigsbrueck was observed on 11 July. The unit on this train, as well as the units on the train to Crawinkel on 6 August and from Weimar on 10 August, cannot be identified.
- 25X1A 5. [redacted] Comment. According to previous information on transportation, three troop trains [redacted] went from Peitz to Jueterbog on 8 August. [redacted] The train which allegedly went to Schwepnitz may have gone to Jueterbog.

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- 25X1 25X1A 6. [] Comment. [] previously reported the shipments to the Brand and Welzow airfields, however without indicating the dispatching station of the shipments bound for Brand. [] 25X1A
If Falkenberg as dispatching station for the trains to Brand is correct, the transfer from the Alt-Loennewitz airfield may have involved the fighter regiment stationed there. On the other hand, it is also possible that the shipments had come via Falkenberg with Koethen as dispatching station, from where had also come the trains to Welzow. Thus, each one fighter regiment would have transferred from Koethen to Welzow and Brand. Further information is needed on these movements.
- 25X1 25X1A 7. [] Comment. [] previously indicated the assembling of railroad cars [] 25X1A 25X1
- 25X1A 8. [] Comment. The AAA units, presumably [] of the 63d AAA Div 25X1
(US), which, on 8 July, had gone to Jueterbog on trains []
25X1 [] are fairly definitely believed to have returned to Fuerstenwalde on the two trains []
- 25X1A 9. [] Comment. Probably return of medium units of the 32d AAA Div (US).
A transfer from Kuestrin to Wustrow has not been observed so far.
- 25X1A 10. [] Comment. The elements of the 124th Hv How Arty Brig (US) which, on 12 August, transferred to Altengrabow on a train [] 25X1
25X1 [] probably returned on 16 August.

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